IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

STANISLAW FLASINS

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for a one-month extension of time to and including July 18, 2008, in which to file a response to the Office Action mailed on March 18, 2008. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the \$120.00 fee, which is the process fee for a one-month extension of time, and any other required fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 to Howrey LLP Deposit Account 08-3038/11899.0235.PCUS00.

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